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Dear Advisory Committee members:

This letter presents the draft edition of the *Freight Movement Issues and Impacts* Technical Memorandum, recently prepared for the Southwest Alaska Transportation Plan by Parsons-Brinckerhoff. We believe the findings are significant, and make a strong case for improved port facilities and road connections on the Cook Inlet side of the Peninsula, most notably in the Williamsport-Pile Bay corridor and the Chignik. Please review the document and send us your comments by January 21, 2000. The document is also available on the Southwest Plan inter-net website at the following URL:
http://www.dot.state.ak.us/external/state_wide/planning/pb/swatplan.html

We recently presented an overview of the Southwest Plan at the Bristol Bay Native Corporation Village Leadership Workshop in Anchorage on December 7. That appearance has led to an upcoming trip for us to Dillingham for the Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation meeting on January 18, along with visits to Togiak, Manokotak and New Stuyahok on Jan 19. We hope to gather additional input for plan alternatives during this trip, and finalize alternative evaluation and packages shortly thereafter. **Our next planned Advisory Committee meeting is April 6 during the Spring SWAMC meeting in Dillingham.** Please plan to attend. We intend during the meeting to preview the draft plan with you and discuss possible implementation strategies. We are working with the SWAMC staff to set aside time for meaningful discussion and dialog.

We continue to add more letters and responses to the correspondence reading room on the Southwest Plan's web page.

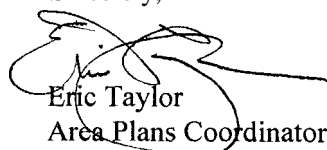
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- Visit the plan's website (www.dot.state.ak.us, then follow the links to planning and area studies to the Southwest Alaska Transportation Plan)
- Write to us using the address on the letterhead

If you need additional copies of documents or other assistance, please call me using the toll-free number above, or using our direct line (907) 465-8958.

As ever, we are most grateful for your leadership and support in this planning effort.

Sincerely,


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Enclosure: (1) Draft Freight Movement Issues and Impacts Technical Memorandum

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